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HUMCO COVID COUNT	TESTS	CASES	HOSPITALIZED	DEATHS	VAX DOSES	PARTLY VAXXED	FULLY
Monday, Feb. 14	162,389	18,782	529	135	174,658	6.61%	64.14%



COUNCIL SETS JUNE 7 SPECIAL ELECTION TO REPLACE MEMBER

MISSING MEMBER The early 2022 Arcata City Council: Councilmembers Meredith Matthews and Sarah Schaefer, Mayor Stacy Atkins-Salazar, the vacant seat of resigned Vice Mayor Emily Grace Goldstein and Councilmember Brett Watson. VIA CITYOFFARCATAC.ORG

Candidates must apply by March 11

Kevin L. Hoover
MAD RIVER UNION

ARCATA – Faced with the prospect of having two members of the Arcata City Council being appointed rather than elected, the suddenly four-member council last week decided to go ahead with a special election.

Though an appointment to fill the seat vacated by resigned Vice Mayor Emily Grace Goldstein would have been quicker and cheaper, the council heeded advice not to pick their own new colleague, and made the more costly decision to hold a special election. Councilmember Meredith Matthews had been selected by the council last August to replace former Councilmember Sofia Pereira.

Elected in November, 2020, Goldstein's resignation is effective Tuesday, March 1. She resigned her seat so as to better support her family's medical needs. Her replacement will serve her remaining term, which expires in November of 2024.

COUNCIL ❖ PAGE 2

Gateway Area Plan gets another Planco go-round

Kevin L. Hoover
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ARCATA – The evolving Gateway Area Plan (GAP) is lurching through various city committees and commissions before it next goes to the council for a March mid-course correction, should one be needed.

Last week the Planning Commission heard an update on the GAP from Community Development Director David Loya. His presentation was part land use overview, part timeline clarification and part debunking of popular misconceptions surrounding the plan.

The plan designates neighborhoods within the Gateway Area for various types of residential and mixed-use development. The idea is to establish standards for that development which satisfy Arcata values of equity and social justice, arts and culture, open space, sustainability, economic development, alternative transportation and architectural consistency.

Under the draft plan, developers are incentivized to craft projects that support Arcata's values

GATEWAY ❖ PAGE 5

Pie ladies return



PIEMASTER Glenda Howard. JANINE VOLKMAR | UNION

Janine Volkmar
MAD RIVER UNION

WESTHAVEN – The first clue was a row of parked cars in front of the Westhaven Fire Hall on a recent Tuesday afternoon.

Could it be? Ever since COVID-19 broke, the group of volunteer blackberry pie bakers had stayed home to safeguard their health.

Many of the longtime volunteer bakers are women with white hair, just what you want in a pie maker, but not necessarily in a pie eater.

PIE LADIES ❖ PAGE 12

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SUNNY BRAE'S NEW CENTER

PRISMATIC BRAE An Arcata Chamber of Commerce ribbon cutting marked the Grand Opening of Sunny Brae Center's Prism Art Gallery & Gifts. The queer and Indigenous-owned/operated gallery and event venue is brought to you by the creators of Brainwash Thrift. Right, Chamber Boardmember Cyril Oberlander and Executive Director Molly Steele. Far right, Esteban Luna, Kaitlin (Kiki) Angus, and Mags Chocan of Prism. PHOTOS BY MATT FILAR | UNION

County: masks no longer required, but are still advised

Daniel Mintz
MAD RIVER UNION

HUMBOLDT – With messaging that has confused people, the county's Health Department is lifting an indoor mask requirement but asks residents to keep wearing them.

Except for health care settings, schools and other institutional facilities, the county's mask mandate ended on Feb. 15. Unvaccinated residents are still required to keep masks on indoors but it's unlikely that places like businesses will ask unmasked customers for proof of vaccination status.

That mirrors the state's broader lifting of the mandate as the latest coronavirus wave recedes.

MASKS ❖ PAGE 5

Ian P. Hoffman
'Still at quite high levels'

Cannabis market crash spurs tax cut on crops

Daniel Mintz
MAD RIVER UNION

HUMBOLDT – Responding to Humboldt County's cannabis industry downturn, the Board of Supervisors voted to cut the Measure S crop tax for one year at a Feb. 7 special meeting.

Cannabis farmers want a two-year suspension of the excise tax but wary of budget impacts, a majority of supervisors supported an 85 percent cut only for taxes due in 2022.

The tax payment scenario for 2023 will be reviewed this fall. The vote also included a further deferral of taxes that were due last October. That payment was bumped to this May and supervisors extended the deferral to Sept. 15.

A combination of oversupply from large farms elsewhere in the state and the high costs of local cannabis cultivation impacts farmers who say they

CANNATAX ❖ PAGE 5



Rex Bohn

Council

❖ FROM PAGE 1

Nomination papers for the open City Council seat became available Monday, Feb. 14 and must be filed by 5 p.m. on Wednesday, March 11 at the City Manager's Office in City Hall, 736 F St.

The council had until Feb. 13 to add the special election to the June 7 State Primary. It is estimated to cost \$7,500.

Another possibility was to wait until the Nov. 8 election at similar cost. Councilmembers spent considerable time trying to untangle the complexities of the November option.

The November ballot is already set to include two open four-year seats, those presently occupied by Councilmember Meredith Matthews and Brett Watson. Candidates would have had to choose to run for a four-year term or the two-year term vacated by Goldstein.

Watson said June elections historically have low voter turnout, and wanted to wait so as to boost public participation. "I don't see what's so urgent," he said.

But other councilmembers said they sensed public urgency, and that the June option would reduce confusion. Atkins-Salazar wasn't interested in feeding negative perceptions of an undemocratic power grab. In the end, the council unanimously picked the speediest election option, which still leaves it at four members for the next nearly four months.

Candidates must be at least 18 years old, must live within Arcata city limits, and are registered to vote at their Arcata residence address. Nominees must also obtain at least 20, but no more than 30, signatures of registered voters who reside within Arcata city limits and are registered to vote at their Arcata residence.

cityofarcata.org, (707) 825-2103.

First 5 Playgroup starts

FIRST FIVE HUMBOLDT EUREKA – First 5 Humboldt is now accepting grant applications from organizations interested in partnering with us to operate a First 5 Humboldt Playgroup in the coming year (July 2022- June 2023). Playgroups provide safe, fun environments for families with young children to connect with one another, learn about and support their children's development, and get access and referrals to other important services. First 5 Humboldt is especially interested in applications for Playgroups that serve families for whom English is a second language and in achieving broad geographic coverage across our large County.

First 5 Humboldt has helped support Playgroups throughout Humboldt County for over 16 years as an important prevention and early intervention

measure in a county where many children and families experience trauma and adversity. Playgroups promote protective factors, relational health, resilience, and family strengthening principles, (Center for the Study of Social Policy, 2016), which are demonstrated to reduce child abuse and neglect and to support healthy family functioning, child development, and readiness for school.

The Playgroup grant application can be found at first5humboldt.org/opportunities. A current Playgroup Schedule and Playgroup contact information can be found at first5humboldt.org/for-families/playgroups/. First 5 Humboldt works to improve the health, early learning, and well-being of young children and their families in Humboldt County using evidence-based methods and community engagement. For more information, go to: www.first5humboldt.org, or call (707) 445-7389

Madrone run kicks off

STEVE MADRONE CAMPAIGN FIFTH DISTRICT – Fifth District Supervisor Steve Madrone will kick off his campaign for re-election to the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors on Thursday, Feb. 24 from 4:30 to 6 p.m. at Pierson Park gazebo in McKinleyville. The event starts at 4:30 p.m.; the program starts at 5:15 p.m.

As a longtime 5th District resident, Steve is passionate about serving his community as he has done for more than 45 years. He's served on the Blue Lake Planning Commission and City Council and headed up several non-profit groups. Steve has worked over the long-term for watershed and forest health by bringing together diverse parties to find common solutions, with a focus on maintaining clean water for drinking and healthy fisheries.

In the past four years on the Board of Supervisors, Steve has worked hard for residents of the Fifth District to improve their health, safety and quality of life. He worked diligently and helped get more funding for sheriff's deputies. Steve has strongly supported county efforts to create more housing affordable to its citizens, and for solutions to homelessness. He has spearheaded efforts to create a town center for McKinleyville, fair representation and funding for the McKin-

leyville Municipal Advisory Committee and worked with others to expand the county's trail system. Steve has worked with the tribes to protect fisheries and tribal and family welfare. Steve passionately advocated for higher wages and benefits for county employees because the county needs to retain and reward their employees to improve moral and retention.

Steve is committed to continuing to work hard to improve public safety, support living wages, create affordable housing, improve and expand trails, parks and recreational opportunities for residents, support programs and policies that lower CO2 emissions and adapt and prepare for climate change. He's excited about the many new economic development and alternative energy opportunities coming to Humboldt such as off shore energy, Cal Poly and new communication infrastructures, and will ensure these project receive thorough public review and balance the needs of all interests.

"I am running for re-election because there's a lot of work still to do to help maintain Humboldt County's beauty, innovation and unique culture," says Steve. "I have worked hard as your supervisor. I've listened, considered all sides of the issues, and help build collaborations between parties that have led to solutions that work over the long term." Visit Madrone4supervisor.com for more information.



Steve Madrone

❖ RAIN WEEK DATE	INCHES OF RAIN	SINCE OCT. 1	LAST YEAR	NOR-MAL
Sunday, Feb. 6	.00	16.02	15.17	23.15
Monday, Feb. 7	.1	16.02	15.17	23.35
Tuesday, Feb. 8	.00	16.02	15.17	23.55
Wednesday, Feb. 9	.00	16.02	15.18	23.74
Thursday, Feb. 10	.00	16.02	15.18	23.93
Friday, Feb. 11	.00	16.02	15.91	24.12
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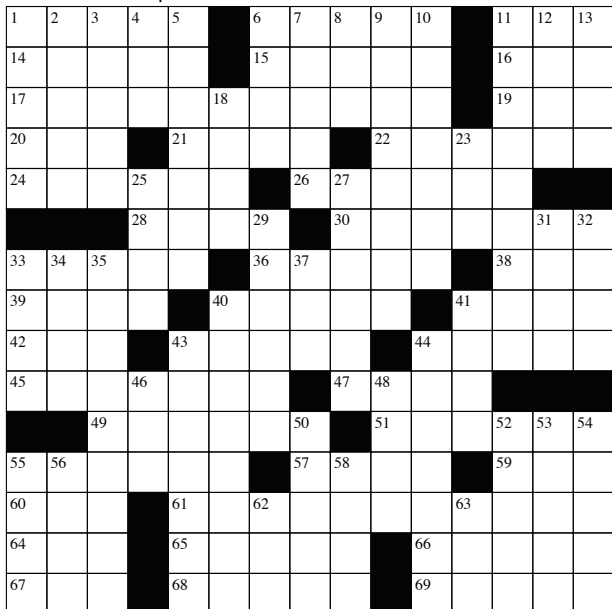
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- Predestined
- Eur. language
- Slur over
- Get up
- Girl's name
- Opposes verbally
- Poet's word
- Word with any or every
- Clamp
- Pronoun
- Napped
- Ape
- ___ code
- Levee protection
- Scorches
- Out of practice
- Camel hair cloak
- Heating chamber
- Trial setting
- Vinegar ingredient
- Fem. title
- Recipient
- Outdoor activities
- Song that begins "My country 'tis of Thee..."
- Read over quickly
- Swamp
- Misbehaves
- Joint groove
- Ankaran
- Quiet ___ mouse
- Building extension
- Urbanite, to country folks
- Polished off
- Slaves
- Strain
- Whale group
- Show contempt
- Actress Spacek

DOWN

- Room scheme
- Unattached
- Nueve, neuf and neun
- Summertime in NYC
- Waiters
- Passing crazes
- Zodiac sign
- Facial problem
- Approximation
- Inevitable future
- Dollar bill
- Viscount's superior
- Sand ridge
- Right-hand man
- Blue
- Bakery product
- Comes forth
- Coliseum
- Lover of an Irish Rose
- Wanders about idly
- Deep unconsciousness
- Injure
- Came together
- French article
- Calling
- "___ Misbehavin'"
- Guides
- Cabdrivers: colloq.
- Reiner
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- Afro or Mohawk
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- Former nation: abbr.
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Directors needed for a variety of youth camps

CITY OF ARCATA

ARCATA – The City of Arcata Recreation Division is now accepting applications for seasonal Summer Camp Directors for a variety of summer camps including Adventure, Art, Forest, Marsh, Redwood and Skate Camps.

Arcata Recreation Camp Directors are responsible for the supervision and safety of groups of children 5-12 years of age in addition to organizing, leading, and supervising camp activities and games.

For more information on each camp's unique offerings, please visit cityofarcata.org/rec.

Qualified applicants must be at least 18 years old and must have experience working with children.

CPR and First Aid certification must be secured prior to the first day of camp along with tuberculosis clearance. Facial coverings and training in COVID-19 policies and procedures are also required.

Arcata Recreation Summer Camps will take place Monday through Friday, beginning Monday, June 20.



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Some work hours are also required in the spring for training, planning, and preparation.

The deadline to apply is Friday, Feb. 18, and applications are available online at cityofarcata.org/rec, or in the Recreation Office at Arcata City Hall, located at 736 St. The Recreation Office is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

When entering City Hall, community members are required to wear facial coverings, practice physical distancing and follow all COVID-19 health and safety protocols in place.

For more information, please call the Arcata Recreation Division at (707) 822-7091.

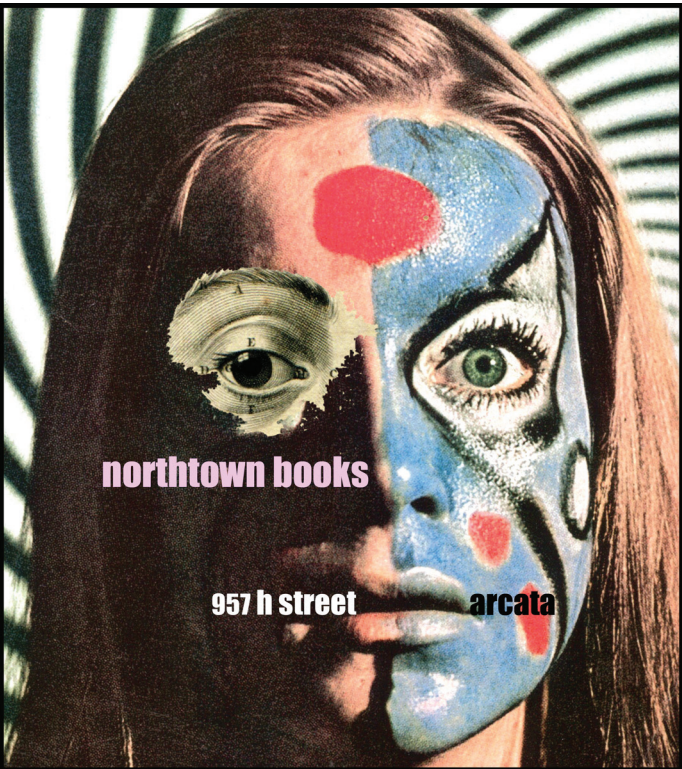
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Masks | Pandemic may be stabilizing

Reviewing the draft plan, Loya confirmed that new road, water, wastewater, park and

Commissioner Dan Tangney urged prioritizing opportunities for home ownership. Loya assured Tangney that open space and recreational opportunities will be identified and maximized under the plan.

Another reporter noted that January was the county's worst month of the pandemic for case counts and hospitaliza-

Between Feb. 7 and Feb. 11, the county reported 614 more COVID-19 case confirmations, five more hospitalizations and three deaths. There was no daily report on Feb. 12 because of a holiday.

Hayes added that her

County staff said that without the cut, the tax payment revenue expected for 2022 would be \$13.7 million.

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TRINIDAD COASTAL LAND TRUST
TRINIDAD – The Trinidad Coastal Land Trust (TCLT) is in the process of planning public access and safety improvements

at Tepona Point, formerly known as Luffenholtz County Park.

In 2019, TCLT took over ownership of the area from the California Department of Fish and Wildlife.

With funding and support from the California Wildlife Conservation Board and input from local community members, the Land Trust has developed a plan for public access improvements

that includes a public restroom, ADA accessible picnic area, reconfigured parking, native plantings, enhanced picnic and overlook areas, as well as interpretive signage.

The public is invited to a presentation of the plan, to ask questions and provide feedback on Thursday, Feb. 24 from 6 to 7 p.m. via Zoom, as well as Sunday Feb. 27 from 3 to 4 p.m. on site.

Tepona point is located two miles south of Trinidad on Scenic Drive.

Please email info@trinidadcoastallandtrust.org for a Zoom link for the Feb. 24 meeting, or to RSVP for the Feb. 27 site visit.

Learn more about the Tepona Point/Luffenholtz property and project at trinidadcoastallandtrust.org/luffenholtz-beach-and-tepona-point.html.



COASTAL VIEW Tepona Point, formerly known as Luffenholtz County Park.
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CLEANUP CAPERS The Feb. 6 City of Arcata Clean the Sidewalk Day in Valley West saw volunteers picking up non-hazardous items in the neighborhood's public spaces, and making it fun. Valley West Clean the Sidewalk Days take place the first Sunday of each month. PHOTOS VIA KIMBERLEY WHITE

FACES OF THE UNHOUSED: His name was Pops

The Faces of the Unhoused is a two-part series chronicling the lives of several unhoused individuals from our Valley West community. (Some of this column has been adapted with permission from a post on Facebook by Valley West resident Cathy Cox)

Much like universal health care should be a basic human right, housing should also be a basic human right. I would like to say there is a simple solution, but it's not that easy. Rather, it is a multifaceted problem and there is no one size solution that fits all.

I often hear people say the unhoused choose this lifestyle. Sometimes the unhoused have been out there too long and simply cannot reintegrate. While reintegration can be more difficult for some than others, no one wakes up one day and says "I think I will become homeless today." Regardless of the reason that someone is on the streets, putting a roof over their head will give the stability needed to improve their life. In other words, housing first. Without housing it is unlikely that any other solutions will work. By providing housing, we give the unhoused a fighting chance to improve their lives.

January 26 was the day of the annual "Point in Time Count", which Housing and Urban Development (HUD) holds every year to gather data on the number

of people who are homeless in communities across the nation. Volunteers spread out to try and count the homeless in communities big and small, rural and urban, nationwide. The count is used as a tool to allocate funds to cities and counties to provide the services they need to help those without housing.

Some Valley West residents were among those volunteering. Kevin was one of the people sent down to Fortuna, which has been in the news recently for passing an ordinance to criminalize unauthorized "camping." The state of California recognizes that people have a right to sleep, and if there isn't anywhere they can sleep that is sheltered, then a person without housing can sleep in a public space – a sidewalk, under an overpass, by a river. But Fortuna and some other cities have decided that while sleeping may be legal, "camping" can still be prohibited... so pitching tents, having possessions such as sleeping bags or tarps, can be used as a reason to charge people with a crime.

And so of course, when volunteers went to count the homeless that morning, the results were much as expected. Very, very few people were around to count. Lots of camps – empty, abandoned camps. Very few actual homeless individuals.

Isn't that a good thing? many people ask.

The ordinance is doing what they wanted it to. Right. Sure. It magically caused "the homeless" to go away. Ask yourself where they went. Did they disappear? Or did they simply go "somewhere else"? And if so, where? Were they simply pushed somewhere further north?

When he got home from a very hard day of searching for the homeless individuals who had magically vanished into thin air, Kevin gathered some things together and set out again. This time, he was going to a place down by the Mad River to find Mark Menge, the man everyone around called "Pops."

Pops has been a fixture in the Valley West area for over 20 years now. You may have seen him at one time or another – he was easy to spot, scooting along in his wheelchair with his one leg and holding up a sign asking for money down by the Chevron station.

Mark used to be a mechanic, in another era of his life. His wife died, and along the way he lost contact with his kids – although a couple of years ago he bought an old Jeep and was able to visit his daughter in Sacramento before she died of cancer. He slept in the Jeep for a while, until it was towed for lack of registration. Sometimes, when his benefits came in, he'd get a hotel room for a night or two. Mostly he camped by the river or in a ditch by the highway.

Pops needed help but he'd fight against anything that felt like it restricted his independence. He didn't drink, he didn't use drugs, but he didn't want to



LONGTIME VALLEY WESTER Pops. PHOTO BY LISA HICKS

play by other people's rules. He wasn't in good health, and the last year was rough. His eyesight was pretty much gone, and things got worse and worse for him. He needed help with pretty much everything to make it through each day.

Kevin and his family tried to help him. Sometimes they'd bring him back to their house for a meal and a shower - he couldn't clean himself, but they had a bathroom big enough to fit his wheelchair and could hose him off. It didn't last, of course. He'd be filthy again the next day, but it was the best they could manage.

Pops was in a shelter for a few weeks over Christmas, and everyone breathed easier. At least

he was dry and warm. A plea online resulted in a donation of a new wheelchair for him. Social Services was trying to find him housing.

But it was only a few weeks before he checked himself out of the shelter to move back down by the river. He hated playing by other people's rules.

So every day, Kevin went down to check on him, to take him his medicine and a hot meal and try to help him make it through one more day.

That day he and his girlfriend were going to take him to a doctor's appointment, where – maybe – the doctor would see he was in bad enough shape that he really needed to be held for observation for a few days.

He didn't make it. Kevin called out as he got close to the tent – "Pops! It's me!" Usually there'd be a growl and a gruff "Whaddaya want?"

That day, there was silence. That day, there was only a still shape in a cold sleeping bag. That day, there was one less homeless person living by the river.



Arcata's Draft Gateway Area Plan: A Call to Engage!

To the tune of Kansas' 1977 classic, "Dust in the Wind."

Open your eyes!
Called to meet this moment,
Question apathy.

Hopes, fears, dreams...
Engagement proven wise,
Our city's specialty.

Gusts in the wind:
Gateway Plan is developin'.

You belong!
Our-cata values treasures
Like CommUnity.

Speak your truth.
Finding common ground,
Grassroots grow easily.

Discuss with your friends.
Empathy helps us to listen.

Now. Plan's not done...

Partnering together,
Egos set aside.

Engage today!
All Humboldt Honeys,
Sisters, brothers,
Suits and tie-dyes.

Trust and intend.
Contemplate.
Wake up your visions.

To learn more about the draft Gateway Area Plan and ongoing community-wide engagement opportunities:

- Visit the City of Arcata website at cityofarcata.org.
- Peruse "Arcata Gateway District Community" public Facebook page: [facebook.com/groups/317835799899031](https://www.facebook.com/groups/317835799899031).
- Instagram: [arcatagatewayplan](https://www.instagram.com/arcatagatewayplan/), [instagram.com/arcatagatewayplan/?hl=en](https://www.instagram.com/arcatagatewayplan/?hl=en).
- Email: Responsible Growth Arcata at ArcataGatewayCommunityAction@gmail.com.
- Email: Artists in Action at kathryn@arcataplayhouse.org.

A Town's Instructions

a boy and a girl
enter the town park
a wall of trees
a fenced meadow
an angled creek
frame the space
of the park
at the end of the street

the couple
in faded t-shirts
walk together in a
singular movable space
their hands side by side
the boy is gawkish
his hair shaggy
the girl's waist
bulges a little at her belt
it appears to matter

little to them
that they are imperfect

the town they
came out of
cherishes its
dairy farms
its ranches
its long black roads
going over green hills
its freshly painted
white wood church
its flat river
bottoms stretching
from town to sea

the teens arriving
at the playground
lean back tentatively
on the oversize plastic turtle
installed beside other
molded animal toys
for crawling over
for hiding

in silly things they
no longer do

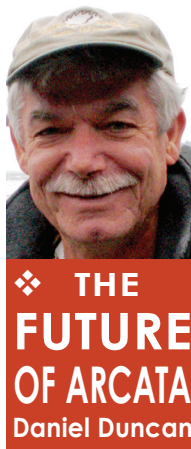
seeing the swing set
she lunges
towards it instinctively
he follows
they notice
resting on a bench
an old couple watching
who are they?

simultaneously
they fall
into the swings
picking up
the conversation
from their walk
a give and
take that is
unpredictable yet safe
the positive and negative
defined by others

structuring
the sure space
that waits for them

So they move, rocking
in the easy rhythm
the round contentment
of now
their prospects
strong as life
fragile as a dream

the setting is old
the play old too
the stage the park
the strangers
on the bench
watch the plot unfold
knowing the rules
of love will hold
until the town
by the sea
forgets its past



❖ THE FUTURE OF ARCATA
Daniel Duncan

OPINION

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CAGED COMPOUND Some might have envisioned the new data center would have a Google campus aesthetic, above. Instead, above middle, it features a now caged-in historic building on the data center lot that could still be used (maybe even for housing or something that benefits the community). Top right, poorly planned wonky corners of the data center parking lot. Why would someone design this way? Middle right, the sharp and imposing fence with no setbacks now surrounding the data center. Bottom right, what once was a grassy open area with frogs, snakes, herons and dragonflies is now a dirt pit that stores plastics, across the street from the data center and next to a preschool. PHOTOS VIA JOY DE-BRUYN; GOOGLE CAMPUS PHOTO VIA COMMONS.WIKIMEDIA.ORG/WIKI/FILE:GOOGLE_CAMPUS.JPG



Streamlined planning a slippery slope to spiky dystopia

Before and after: considering Arcata's Gateway Area Plan

I want to share a “before and after” experience of the new Edge-ConneX data center, as an example of an important consideration with the proposed Gateway Area Plan – streamlining of the development approval process.

The “before” picture (what some maybe thought the data center would be): I believe the city planning department hosted one or two public meetings about the incoming data center project, and there were a few local news articles about it. Some community members voiced initial concerns about the project (noise, benefits to the community, safety).

City planning staff, project de-

velopers, and local media presented it as an exciting change coming to our community – tech jobs, improved internet opportunities!

I'm sure some people envisioned a fancy Google-campus-like aesthetic. They promised a quick construction phase with minimal impacts to the neighborhood.

The “after” picture (what we actually ended up with): That nice Google-campus-aesthetic some might have imagined? Instead, we got a prison-fence with spikes on the end; little-to-no setbacks from the sidewalk and reduced landscaping; wonky corners and an exacerbated blind corner on a very busy 11th Street (which has since seen a pedestrian-car collision); and an inconsiderate, unpleasant approach to dealing with a semi-historic building.

As far as benefits to the com-

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munity – we met with City planning staff when we started seeing some of these bad decisions coming to life and asked again about community benefits.

Local jobs? Nope, the data center would not bring many local jobs, only be a handful of people would be managing and working at the facility.

Better Internet? Only planned for a few entities (HSU [now CPH], hospitals).

How about that quick construction phase with minimal impacts? Construction went much longer than planned and we're now told a second phase is coming. Instead of any sidewalk or street improvements (which we've asked the City to consider for years, it is sorely

needed for high school students that walk down M Street), we got new pot-holes, poorly patched-up sidewalks, one accidental gas line strike (and temporary evacuation of some neighbors), one super-scary power line explosion across from our school bus stop (while my daughter was standing there), increased clogging of street drains, and an open grass area turned into a giant dirt pit next to a preschool.

And that second phase I mentioned? That is when they are supposedly going to address the potential code violations the City somehow missed until they were brought to their attention by neighbors.

My point in sharing all of this? The data center was principally permitted, so was not subject to Planning Commission approval and had minimal public input

opportunities. That is the same streamlined process that the Gateway Area Plan proposes for these up-to-8 story buildings.

Maybe it would behoove the community and City Council as their representatives, not to reduce eyes on these big projects coming in? This data center experience doesn't instill confidence that City planning staff are right for the job of sole gatekeeper for shaping a large part of Arcata.

I understand there are reasons for streamlining the process, but I don't think prioritizing developer needs over the community's will end well. I think there will be significant community regrets and long-term negative impacts to streamlining the process to the extent being proposed.

Joy DeBruyn, resident in the proposed Gateway Area of Arcata

Grotesqueries past, present and future

I delivered the following address during the public comments portion of Arcata's Feb. 2 City Council Meeting. The next day I learned that Jennifer Garcia had died. On Jan. 22, 2022, as Jennifer was pushing her two-year-old son in a stroller, in a crosswalk, at 12:45 p.m. near the corner of Janes Creek Drive and St. Louis Road, a 29-year-old “inattentive driver” ran her over. She was just able to push her baby out of harm's way when she was struck. Her tragic death is unspeakably sad.

What needs our voices at this time, in Arcata, is support for immediate action to redesign our transportation infrastructure so that cars are marginalized as the deadly pariahs that they are. The city must take emergency measures to create and implement a master plan that rapidly and dramatically changes how we get around Arcata. Adoption of such a master plan, and a date-specific timeline for achievement, must occur prior to moving forward with any updates to the General Plan. As it stands, the current “Gateway” General Plan Update — which could add 10,000 new residents in 10 years — would exponentially increase the current threat to pedestrians, cyclists, and other drivers.

In such a master plan, most neighborhood streets would be narrowed to one-way, and neighborhood speed limits reduced to 15 miles per hour. Traffic enforcement would be a regular occurrence (instead of non-existent, as it is now). All significant crossings would be equipped with user-activated flashing lights. Many crossings on arterial roads would have user-activated stop lights. Speed humps and curbed meanders would be built into all arterial streets and, where needed, some neighborhood streets.

Importantly, we would designate and redesign several streets in the city as car-free routes. This would be easily done by running a barrier (similar to the cable crash barriers now installed on freeway medians) down the middle of one lane of an existing street. Half of this one lane would be conformed with the sidewalk to create a non-motorized path. The other half would be added to the remaining lane, which would be for cars, one-way, with parking on both sides. This plan could be implemented

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cheaply and immediately and would make our streets immensely safer. Dedicated car-free paths would also crisscross the city.

This doesn't mean we don't drive. It means we drive differently: more slowly, more carefully by design, and, in an increasing number of places, not at all. If you are thinking that under such measures it would take a little longer to drive through Arcata, you are correct. Instead needing two minutes to reach the grocery store or the freeway entrance, it might take you three. If you are thinking that far more people would leave their cars at home and enjoy the newly won safety of walking and riding bikes through Arcata, you are also correct. If you are thinking that such measures constitute one of the most effective means for Arcatans to reduce our carbon emissions, that is true as well. If you are thinking that if such measures had been in place five years ago it's very likely that both Jennifer Garcia and Alan Gradwohl (*see below*) would be alive today, then then you have arrived to the most important truth of all.

So that's the equation: If you knew that the result of making these dramatic changes to traffic infrastructure in Arcata would, in a matter of a few years, save two lives, would you think the changes were worth it? Or are lives the others worth nothing more than a few minutes of our time?

Here's my address to the city:

Walking 11th street Monday, I had to cross because a guy was spraying herbicides on the huge new swath of pavement at Arcata's lovely new data center. Then he sprayed the sidewalks.

Dodging poisons, I crossed the street and got a macro-gander at that grotesque installation with the lethal mad max fence and NSA-style cameras which brings me to ask this city council: Why should I trust a Community Development Department that would approve such a Kafkaesque new centerpiece for our town to also develop Arcata's so-called “gateway” area? Seven- and eight-story Isla Vista-style buildings on soon to liquify soils and everyone comes with a car, so then just try to dodge herbicides on 11th.

While I was deep in thought a small man in a huge truck raced west on 11th and

must've hit 50 miles an hour before reaching P Street. Happens all the time. Just yesterday on the south stretch of Janes Road a young woman flew past the church and both schools going at least double the speed limit by the time she braked hard at 11th. Happens all the time. Remember Alan Gradwohl? Run down and killed by a drunk college student at a four-way stop in broad daylight. 14th and G. After Alan's death the city did nothing to change that intersection—not even those little red flags on top of the stop signs. As if his death meant nothing at all.

Alan Gradwohl's killer is your lowest common denominator driver. Hell, two of your recent mayors are lowest common denominator drivers. This is who you must design your streets for. The drunk, addled, distracted, angry, imperious, self-absorbed driver piloting lethal steel inches from our loved ones. Even Meredith Matthews' parked car isn't safe.

Throughout the city I want speed humps, meanders, crossing stop lights, dead-end streets, 15 miles-an-hour in neighborhoods. And how about traffic enforcement? I've never seen it in Arcata. Ultimately, we must take pavement away from cars and give to the people—take pavement away from cars and give to the people. Before I'll support any new housing in this city I want solid, meaningful, on-the-ground changes to the car paradigm. Without it Arcata becomes unlivable.

Thank you.

Greg King
Arcata

Castles made of Jell-O

As an emeritus member of the Seismological Society of America, I have grave concerns about building multi-story structures on the unconsolidated sediments that lie beneath Arcata's Gateway Project footprint. During an earthquake, ground shaking in these bay and river deposits can be amplified by two to five times as compared to bedrock sites, such as that which Founders Hall sits on.

Compounding this site's amplification problem, Arcata has the distinction of sitting directly over the locked portion of the southern Cascadia subduction zone. This means that the boundary between

the North American plate and the subducting Gorda plate is building up stored strain energy (locked), and when it reaches a certain limit as it did in January 1700, it will snap and shake Arcata violently for more than one minute. This has happened in the past and will happen in the future. In all the world, only two locations have a population sited directly over a locked subduction zone interface. We also have to consider the more frequent offshore Gorda plate earthquakes and the San Andreas and Mendocino faults as sources of damaging ground shaking.

I have no problem with infilling, for that is the proper thing to do. I think the project has many merits, but I would advise that the height of future buildings be limited on ground that behaves as “Jell-O” during earthquakes to avoid potential structural failures (even if engineered) that may cause loss of life.

Regards,
R.C. McPherson, seismologist
Bayside

Infill isn't sacred

Perhaps the Arcata City Council could consider other potential sites for housing, such as Eureka is now doing (*Times-Standard*, Feb. 3, 2022) by considering City owned parking lots and similar parcels for housing bids. “Infill” is not a sacred process, always to be followed. Change the parcel zoning, if needed.

Other, publicly owned properties are worth consideration. All of the elementary schools including any within our city limits, the Arcata Fire District, churches, etc. — any property not being utilized and with no likely future need could be asked to sell, at a fair market price, their excess property if suitable for housing. The concept of eminent domain does not need to apply to home or businesses alone. We are all “the public” so when taxes are used to build property for anyone, consideration of the needs and desires for a suitable place to live must reflect our diverse population.

Before we commit our children and grandchildren to repay what we borrow to meet needs of today, please make public what decisions made now will cost them later.

Sara Turner
Arcata

SCENE



FILMED IN HUMBOLDT *The Sky is Everywhere* was filmed at Arcata High School, Old Town Eureka and many locations throughout Humboldt County.

VIA HUMBOLDT-DEL NORTE FILM COMMISSION

New movie was filmed in Humboldt County

HUMBOLDT-DEL NORTE FILM COMMISSION
HUMBOLDT – The Humboldt-Del Norte Film Commission is excited to announce the premiere of the film *The Sky Is Everywhere* on Apple TV+ last Friday, Feb. 11.

The entirety of A24/Apple co-produced feature film was shot in Humboldt County and features many recognizable locations. More than 500 locals were involved as cast and crew on the production which spent \$2.1 million locally during filming.

While the film commission ordinarily hosts red carpet premieres for features that have filmed locally, a screening event for this film is on hold due to COVID-19. Tentative plans for an outdoor screening later this spring are being developed with details coming soon.

The film commission did set up a red carpet and lights at the gazebo in Eureka’s Old Town Feb. 11 for those locals who wished to take a photo at the filming location of a major dance scene in *The Sky Is Everywhere*. There was a ribbon cutting for *The Sky Is Everywhere* marker which has been placed at the gazebo as part of the film commission’s Map of the Movies mobile app. The app is based on the extremely popular printed map of filming locations throughout Humboldt and Del Norte counties that the commission has distributed to tourists and locals over the past eight years. The free app, developed by Genterix, is now available on both the Google Play Android store and Apple’s iOS app store.

Additionally, the film commission has recorded mini-interviews between the Film Commissioner Cassandra Hesseltine and locals who worked on the production of *The Sky Is Everywhere*.

Dayna Stephens Quartet takes the stage in Arcata

PLAYHOUSE ARTS

ARCATA – The Redwood Jazz Alliance presents the Dayna Stephens Quartet for a Wednesday evening jazz performance Feb. 16 at 8 p.m. at the Arcata Playhouse, 1251 Ninth St. Arcata.

Dayna Stephens visited us back in the Before Times, with a quartet co-led by pianist Billy Childs. (His stay was shortened by another catastrophe, though: wildfires in Sonoma that blocked the most direct route to SFO.)

Since then, he’s released three more albums—two during the pandemic!—and taken first place in the “Rising Star – Tenor Saxophone” category of the prestigious 2019 DownBeat Critics Poll.

NPR’s Kevin Whitehead reckons that while Stephens “can cry and rip it up on tenor . . . at heart, he’s a streamlined melodic player” with a “handsome down-the-middle tone.” “His sound is sleek,” Whitehead says, his lines “uncluttered.” In short: “His horn sings.”

Stephens freely admits that he’s always seeking what’s “singable,” and his search often results in compositions and improvisations that challenge traditional concepts of harmony, pushing the phrasing and bending beautiful melodies in unlikely directions.

Stephens will be accompanied by pianist Aaron Parks, bassist Rick Rosato, and legendary drummer (and 2022



ARCATA PLAYHOUSE Dayna Stephens performs tonight, Feb. 16 at 8 p.m..
VIA ARCATA PLAYHOUSE

NEA Jazz Master) Billy Hart.

Tickets are \$20 for general admission, \$15 for students and seniors, and \$10 for the live stream (emailed to live-stream ticket buyers the day of the show.) Advanced tickets are required for in-person admission to this show, and can be found at redwoodjazzalliance.org. Audiences will be required to wear secure fitting masks and show proof of up-to-date COVID-19 vaccination at the door. The current audience capacity is restricted to half, at 70 people.



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Wind, jazz & joy

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CPH – The Cal Poly Humboldt School of Dance, Music, and Theatre’s spring semester double-header is back, featuring the Wind Ensemble and the Jazz Orchestra in live and livestreamed performance.

Join them in Fulkerson Recital Hall on Saturday, Feb. 26 at 8:00 p.m. and hear a broad range of music for brass, woodwinds, percussion, and rhythm section written over the course of the last hundred years, from composers such as Gordon Jacob and Dmitri Shostakovich to Maria Schneider and Charles Mingus. If getting to campus is not an option for you, a livestream of the concert will be available. Concert tickets are \$10 General, \$5 for children and free for Cal Poly Humboldt students with ID, and may be purchased in advance at music.humboldt.edu/upcoming.

Under the baton of conductor and Cal Poly Humboldt Professor of Music Paul Cummings, the Wind Ensemble performs a variety of works inspired by various eastern and western European cultures. This fine repertoire includes the mid-20th century *Folk Dances* by the great Russian composer Dmitri Shostakovich, receiving a fine transcription for wind band in 1979 by American composer and academic H. Robert Reynolds. Dan Forrest is an American composer born in 1978 who has already amassed a sizable catalog of music composed for voices as well as instruments. His work *A Basque Lullaby*, originally set for SATB choir and re-scored for wind band in 2007, takes a gentle and expressive place in the program.



Cal Poly Humboldt
Wind Ensemble
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Entr’act, the second movement of “Theatre Music” by the contemporary English composer Philip Sparke is a lush and evocative work which gives each section of the ensemble many moments to shine. Active throughout much of the 20th century, English composer Gordon Jacob composed and arranged over 700 works during his long and prolific career as a composer and educator. One of his earliest works, written when he was still a student, is an arrangement of a collection of polyphonic works from the 16th and 17th centuries by another prolific composer of music for choir and for keyboard, William Byrd. Aptly named *William Byrd Suite*, it is an all-time favorite in the wind band repertoire.

As a Visiting Assistant Professor of Music at Cal Poly Humboldt, band leader Dan Aldag heads the department’s jazz program as well as being a co-founder of the Redwood Jazz Alliance. The Jazz Orchestra, resident big band at Cal Poly Humboldt, plays four pieces, including *Sister Sadie* by Horace Silver. Silver is widely recognized as the leading composer in the hard bop style, and *Sister Sadie* is one of his best-known tunes. No one knows who wrote this arrangement, but it comes

from the library of the University of Illinois Jazz Band. It features solos from Nick De Anda on guitar, Chris Cox on trumpet, Rebekka Lopez on alto sax, George Epperson on trombone, Danny Gaon on bass, and Isaac Williams on tenor sax.

The Snapper is composed by the great trumpet player Clark Terry and arranged by Cal Poly Humboldt Professor of Music Brian Post. Post thought that the melody resembled a fugue subject (the main theme of a fugue), and so he has incorporated a fugue into his arrangement. Soloists are Eddie Kallen on trumpet and John Gerving on piano.

Don’t Be Evil is by Maria Schneider and comes from her Grammy-winning album *Data Lords*. Schneider is a fierce advocate for creators’ rights in the digital world, and writes in the liner notes to the album, “How can it be that people sitting in the boardroom of a company poised to become the most powerful corporation in the world, would actually select as their inspirational motto, ‘don’t be evil?’ I’m not sure what’s more alarming: that they set the bar so low, or that they would fail to reach that most minimal aspiration...This piece mocks Google as the cartoonish

overlord that it is.”

Featured soloists are Nick De Anda on guitar, Brian White on trombone, and Brian Post on piano. The Charles Mingus composition *Boogie Stop Shuffle* is arranged by band leader, jazz scholar, and Grammy nominee Andrew Homzy. Mingus’s centennial is this spring and the Jazz Orchestra will celebrate it by playing an all-Mingus concert in May. “Boogie Stop Shuffle” provides a sneak preview of that exciting upcoming event.

BLOOD DRIVE To celebrate Women’s History Month and its theme “Providing Healing, Promoting Hope,” Soroptimist International of Arcata is hosting a blood drive on Wednesday, March 2 from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. at the Northern California Community Blood Bank, 2524 Harrison Ave., Eureka. Soroptimist members will greet donors and host an information table from 4 to 7 p.m. However, donors are welcome any time during open hours. Snacks and juice will be provided. Drop in or call the Blood Bank at (707) 443-8004 to schedule an appointment. Please come to help save lives in our community.

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MARSH TOUR Friends of the Arcata Marsh (FOAM) is sponsoring a free tour of the Arcata Marsh & Wildlife Sanctuary on Saturday, Feb. 19. Meet leader Ken Burton at 2 p.m. in the lobby of the Interpretive Center on South G Street for a 90-minute, rain-or-shine walk focusing on birds, plants, and/or marsh ecology. Masks are required inside the building. For more information, call (707) 826-2359.



EUREKA WATERFRONT Redwood Region Audubon Society will offer a free guided birding tour along the Eureka Waterfront Trail on Sunday, Feb. 20 from 9 to 11 a.m., with leader Ralph Bucher. This relatively urban trail offers the potential to observe a diversity of species comparable to more remote locations. The walk is on a flat, paved trail that is wheelchair accessible. Please visit rras.org for COVID-19 participation guidelines. Let us know you plan to attend by text/messaging Ralph Bucher at (707) 499-1247, or email thebook@reninet.com with the walk date and name, email and phone number for each participant.

LEARN ABOUT LICHENS Join the Trinidad Coastal Land Trust and naturalist Loriel Caverly on Sunday Feb. 27 from noon to 2 p.m. to explore the tiny world of lichens in the coastal forests and beaches of Trinidad. This is the time of year for lichens to shine! We will walk down the Parker Creek trail to Old Home Beach for an introduction to these fascinating symbiotic composite organisms. Never heard of lichens? This is your chance to find out. We will look at several lichen species in the forest and a few on the beach and discuss basic lichen biology and ecology. By the time the walk is over, you will be seeing lichens everywhere you look! Space on this walk is limited and Covid-19 vaccination is required. Please email michelle@trinidadcoastallandtrust.org or call 707-677-2501 with questions and to sign up.

HOUDA POINT PROJECT UNDERWAY Thanks to a grant from the California State Coastal Conservancy, construction of visitor access improvements to Houdda Point began the week of Feb. 7 and will continue as long as the weather continues to be dry. Improvements will include an ADA accessible parking space, pathways, kiosk, picnic tables and benches. Adams Commercial and General Contracting will be doing the work, which should be completed in less than one month. During construction, the Land Trust will work with the contractor to keep the trail to the beach open, but access will be temporarily limited through the construction site, at the vista point, and in the parking lot.

Celebrating authors at Cal Poly Humboldt

CAL POLY HUMBOLDT
ARCATA – Cyril Oberlander, dean of Cal Poly Humboldt’s Library, had an idea: showcase the published work of diverse university authors. Oberlander’s brainchild, born from a passion for reading, eventually turned into the annual Humboldt Authors Celebration.
Now in its eighth year, the successful event honors the achievements and expertise of university students, faculty (current and emeritus), staff, and alumni authors. The library estimates that Cal Poly Humboldt authors have published about 2,800 creative and scholarly works since the event began in 2015.
“The Authors Hall recognizes the outstanding research, scholarship, and creativity that honors the voices of our campus community. We sincerely thank the authors for connecting with

readers and ideas for generations to come,” says Oberlander.
The Press at Cal Poly Humboldt, formerly known as HSU Press, has been instrumental in supporting and promoting Humboldt authors. Established in 2015, The Press has helped to publish thousands of written works and currently publishes 12 active journals – all of which are free and downloadable online.
The public is invited to the virtual 2022 Humboldt Authors Celebration, which will also recognize the reporters and editors of *The Lumberjack* and *El Leñador*, the university’s award-winning student newspapers. All past issues will be available online on Feb. 14 at digitalcommons.humboldt.edu/studentnewspaper/ and digitalcommons.humboldt.edu/ellenador.
The Library will also host a series of virtual panels February 15-18. To reg-

ister for the free event and workshops, visit hsu.link/2021authors. For additional information visit authors.humboldt.edu or contact HSUAuthors@humboldt.edu. Some of the events took place before the Union went to press. Here is the rest of the schedule:
Wednesday, Feb. 16
Noon-12:50 p.m. – How to publish a book with the Press at Cal Poly Humboldt, publish an article with a Press-affiliated journal, or publish a book on your own.
Thursday, Feb. 17
Noon-12:50 p.m. – How to write a nonfiction book
Friday, Feb. 18
Noon-12:50 p.m. – Hosting a journal at Cal Poly Humboldt: A panel discussion. Learn from Cal Poly Humboldt journal editors the secrets of launching and publishing a successful journal.

Evie Dowd named 2022 Poetry Out Loud Champion for Humboldt

HUMBOLDT ARTS COUNCIL
HUMBOLDT – Humboldt County’s annual Poetry Out Loud Contest took place Feb. 7 at the Morris Graves Museum of Art. Poetry Out Loud is a national poetry recitation contest open to all high school students across the country.
Each year, the Humboldt Arts Council organizes and hosts our county contest. This year students from three county schools participated, including Eureka High School, Northern Unified Humboldt Charter School, and North Coast Preparatory and Performing Arts Academy.

Evie Dowd from NU-Humboldt Charter School was announced as the 2022 Poetry Out Loud Champion for Humboldt County. Solveig Lyssand, a freshman at Eureka High School came in second place.
The Poetry Out Loud program encourages students to learn about great poetry through memorization and recitation. This program helps students master public speaking skills, build self-confidence, and learn about literary history and contemporary life.



Evie Dowd

The contest is similar to a spelling bee, starting at the school level and going all the way to the nationals in Washington DC. Supported by the National Endowment for the Arts and the Poetry Foundation, the California Arts Council reaches out to local arts councils across the state to encourage high school students to get involved.
Evie Dowd will represent Humboldt County at the 2022 state competition this spring.

DRINK UP Your drink purchase can help fund a festival! Join Godwit Days at The Pub at the Creamery on Thursday, March 3, starting at 5 p.m. One dollar of every draft beer, cider, kombucha, or soda (not wine) sold between 1 p.m. and 9 p.m. will support this year’s Godwit Days Spring Migration Bird Festival. Order food from the pub’s extensive new menu (appetizers, salads, soups, wood-fired pizza, dessert). So come out to 824 L Street, Suite A in Arcata on March 3 for Pints for Nonprofits Night. For more information, visit godwitdays.org or

call (707) 826-7050.

AFTERNOON OF JAZZ Visit the Morris Graves Museum of Art, 636 F St., Eureka for an afternoon of great music on Sunday, Feb. 20 at 3 p.m. Enjoy An Afternoon of Jazz with the trio version of Young & Lovely, and hear jazz from talented local musicians all singing in harmony to their favorite jazz standards. Young & Lovely consists of the three Penner siblings, Devin, Brianna, and Elisa. Devin Penner provides piano accompaniment for the siblings.

LEGAL NOTICES

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 22-00043

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
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ARCATA, CA 95521
COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT
GG FOOD SERVICE LLC
CA 202200510316
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S/GINO GRANADOS
CEO
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on JAN. 11, 2022
KELLY E. SANDERS
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2/16, 2/23, 3/2, 3/9

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 22-00068

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
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COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT
GREENWAY PARTNERS, INC.
CA 3162921
1385 8TH ST. SUITE 101
ARCATA, CA 95521
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S/JULIE PERRY
SECRETARY/CFO
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 22-00071

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
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HUMBOLDT BLOCKCHAIN ADVISING LLC
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ARCATA, CA 95521
This business is conducted by: A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
S/MATTHEW CENDEJAS
CEO
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on JAN. 25, 2022
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 22-00078

The following person(s) is

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COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT
IRENE E. LEWIS
1970 COLUMBUS AVE.
ARCATA, CA 95521

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S/IRENE E. LEWIS
OWNER
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on JAN. 26, 2022
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1/26, 2/2, 2/9, 2/16

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

MARREDE SIM
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT
CASE NO. CV2200073
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
1. Petitioner has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
Present name: **MARREDE SIM** to Proposed name: **ROBBYNN MARREDE SIM**
2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court, located at 825 5th Street, Eureka, California, at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the application should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing

to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
Date: MARCH 4, 2022
Time: 1:45 p.m.
Dept.: 4

For information on how to appear remotely for your hearing, please visit <https://www.humboldt.courts.ca.gov/>.
3. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Mad River Union.
Date: JAN. 18, 2022
Kelly L. Neel
Judge of the Superior Court
1/26, 2/2, 2/9, 2/16

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF WILLIAM JAMES MEIZNER

CASE NO.: PR2200022
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of:
WILLIAM JAMES MEIZNER
A Petition for Probate has been filed by DAVID MOORE and NORMA CLAYTOR in the Superior Court of California, County of HUMBOLDT.
The Petition for Probate requests that: DAVID MOORE and NORMA CLAYTOR be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
The petition requests the decedents will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.
The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take any actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:

Date: MARCH 3, 2022
Time: 1:31 PM
Dept.: 6
Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA, 95501.
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If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.
If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a formal Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.
ARTHUR NIELSEN
GALE & NIELSEN
2850 HARRIS ST.
EUREKA, CA 95503
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2/2, 2/9, 2/16

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

JENNIFER DEARDEN
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT
CASE NO. CV2200155
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
1. To Steven Buskirk and anyone claiming to be a parent of Farrah Peterson-Buskirk born on 9/30/2019 at St. Joseph Hospital, Eureka, CA.
2. A hearing will be held on 5/4/2022 at 8:30 a.m. in Dept. 7 located at Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA 95501,

PERSONS:

1. Petitioner has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
Present name: **LEYA FAYE BANDUCCI**
Proposed name: **LEYA FAYE DEARDEN**
2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court, located at 825 5th Street, Eureka, California, at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the application should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
Date: MARCH 25, 2022
Time: 1:45 p.m.
Dept.: 4

For information on how to appear remotely for your hearing, please visit <https://www.humboldt.courts.ca.gov/>.
3. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Mad River Union.
Date: FEB. 4, 2022
Kelly L. Neel
Judge of the Superior Court
2/16, 2/23, 3/2, 3/9

CITATION FOR PUBLICATION UNDER WELFARE AND INSTITUTIONS CODE SECTION 294

Case Name: Farrah Peterson-Buskirk
Case No. JV2100055
1. To Steven Buskirk and anyone claiming to be a parent of Farrah Peterson-Buskirk born on 9/30/2019 at St. Joseph Hospital, Eureka, CA.
2. A hearing will be held on 5/4/2022 at 8:30 a.m. in Dept. 7 located at Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA 95501,

Juvenile Division, 2nd floor.
Check the court’s website on how to appear at your hearing. There will be information posted on how to appear remotely if the court remains closed. For assistance with appearing virtually, please contact Child Welfare Services’ main phone line at (707) 445-6180.

3. At the hearing the court will consider the recommendations of the social worker or probation officer.
4. The social worker or probation officer will recommend that your child be freed from your legal custody so that the child may be adopted. If the court follows the recommendation, all your parental rights to the child will be terminated.
5. You have the right to be present at the hearing, to present evidence, and you have the right to be represented by an attorney. If you do not have an attorney and cannot afford to hire one, the court will appoint an attorney for you.
6. If the court terminates your parental rights, the order may be final.
7. The court will proceed with this hearing whether or not you are present.
ATTORNEY FOR:
CHILD WELFARE SERVICES
JEFFERSON BILLINGSLEY, COUNTY COUNSEL #233776
JOAN TURNER, DEPUTY COUNTY COUNSEL #152986
825 FIFTH STREET
EUREKA, CA 95501
(707) 445-7236
DATE: FEBRUARY 4, 2022
Clerk, by Kim M. Bartleson, Deputy
2/16, 2/23, 3/2, 3/9

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF HOYT L. SHORT

CASE NO.: PR2200035
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of:
HOYT L. SHORT
A Petition for Probate has been filed by DEBORAH SHORT-LEDESMA in the Superior Court of California, County of HUMBOLDT.
The Petition for Probate requests that: DEBORAH SHORT-LEDESMA be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
The petition requests the decedents will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.
The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take any actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:
Date: MARCH 10, 2022
Time: 1:31 PM
Dept.: 6
Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA, 95501.
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ed in the will or estate, or both, of:
HOYT L. SHORT

A Petition for Probate has been filed by DEBORAH SHORT-LEDESMA in the Superior Court of California, County of HUMBOLDT.

The Petition for Probate requests that: DEBORAH SHORT-LEDESMA be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

The petition requests the decedents will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take any actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
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You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a formal Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.
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Pie ladies | Westhaven Fire pleasingly pie-powered

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essarily the best group to be congregating during the pandemic. The fire hall kitchen is small and cozy and the women work around a center island. Health was a concern for the Westhaven Ladies Club. This is a group that starts meeting every Tuesday in January and works hard to make and freeze pies until the Westhaven Blackberry Festival in July. The pie sales are a huge support to the Westhaven Volunteer Fire Department.

At the last festival, the group sold a thousand pies and 600 jars of jam, raising more than \$10,000 for the department.

“When COVID shut us down in 2019, we’d made almost 500 pies,” Erica Ervin said. “We emptied out the freezer and sold frozen drive-by pies,” she explained. Ervin, who has the gift of making a flaky crust, has been volunteering for “ten or fifteen years.” She, her sister, Greta Daniels, and their late mother, Carol Daniels, have been mainstays of the baking crew.

But in a sure sign of hope during the ongoing pandemic, the bakers have come back. Like swallows returning to Capistrano, the women have donned their aprons and masks and started making pies. If the festival happens in July, all the better. But if not, they’ll sell drive-by pies again.

“We’ve got beautiful berries,” Ervin said, “locally grown and individually frozen. That makes it so easy to fill the pies.”

The ingredients are the best and the pies are made with skill and love. Pie lovers



WESTHAVEN PIE FORCE Erica Ervin, Glenda Howard, Katy Chamberlin, Becky Woodworth, Gail Ward and Marie Box. Left, pies in the making. PHOTOS BY JANINE VOLKMAR | UNION



ers have always considered them a bargain at \$15 a pie. “We raised our prices to \$20 a pie, the first price increase in many years,” Ervin said. “Not one person complained.”

“It’s always so nice when people are so generous,” Gail Ward chimed in. Ward, a nurse, has been volunteering for “around five years.”

The group sets goals to make it fun and challenging. “We’d like to make a thousand,” Ervin said. “If we did 800, I’d be happy. If we got more volunteers, it would be great,” Ward added.

Volunteers are very welcome. “No experience is necessary,” Ervin said. “We’ll give on-the-job training.”

“Bring your apron unless

you want to leave covered with flour,” Katy Chamberlin said. Chamberlin is a local girl who went to Trinidad and Big Lagoon schools but now lives in Marin County. She comes up to visit and joins the group when she is here.

“Her mother, Eileen, worked at the Seascape,” Ervin said.

“I used to seat people in the restaurant when I was six years old,” Chamberlin explained with a laugh.

Other members of the group include Glenda Howard, Becky Woodworth, and Marie Box.

The fire hall was filled with laughter when I went to photograph the bakers. Ervin made bowl after bowl of dough, balls of dough got rolled out to fill pie pans, berries and sugar filled the shells as they moved down the assembly line and, most beautiful of all to watch, the top crusts were added and

crimped just so. My, those pies are picture perfect! Then they are put in the freezer, unbaked. Pies are always baked fresh for the festival in a flurry of baking the day (and night) before. Mark your calendars: the Westhaven Blackberry Festival is always the last Sunday in July.

The hall’s giant freezer had not been used much during the pandemic. “The door seal had frozen shut,” Ervin explained. “My sister, Greta, came in early and put a heater by the door so we could open it. The replacement part is on order.”

The group will make jam and possibly huckleberry pies as well. Volunteers don’t need to call ahead. Just show up on Tuesdays from 2 to 4 p.m. to join in.

The Westhaven Volunteer Fire Department supports over 800 properties which include 450 homes. In addition, they respond to medical calls from Clam Beach north which often can mean car accidents and over-enthusiastic beach cliff climbers. Westhaven Fire Hall is located on Sixth Avenue in Westhaven.

Mr. Ahnemiller, who is conducting the skating rink in Excelsior Hall, reports a splendid business and thinks Arcata is a very prosperous community.

— Arcata Union, March 7, 1918

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SERVICE FOR THOMPSON Richard Louis Thompson, born Nov. 8, 1938 in Utah as Louis Richard Theos died at home Jan. 21, 2022. He was a HSU physics professor from 1968 to 2001. Wife Betty, son Paul, daughter Heidi Van Buskirk. A Celebration of his Life will be Saturday, Feb. 26 at 1 p.m. in the Thompson’s garden. A full obituary can be read at northcoastjournal.com/blogs/Obituaries/ or lostcoastoutpost.com/categories/obits/.

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